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**Examiner: Jeffrey Norman Fredman** 

## RESPONSE AFTER FINAL REJECTION

Box AF (Expedited Procedure) Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated September 24, 2002, please reconsider the above-identified application in view of the following remarks: